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**AMENDMENT UNDER 37 CFR 1.116
EXPEDITED PROCEDURE -
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IN MODULATION OF BEHAVIOR OF
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Sir:

This is a third response to the "final" Office Action mailed July 12, 2005, which set October 12, 2005 as the initial deadline for response. A previous response and a Notice of Appeal were filed on November 11, 2005. Thus a Petition for a four-month extension of time until May 11, 2006 is enclosed herewith, and this Third Reply is believed to be timely.

This third response is also responsive to the Advisory Action and Notice of Non-Compliant Amendment, both mailed March 10, 2006. Based upon the Advisory Action and the Notice, the changes to the specification provided with the response filed November 11, 2005 are believed to have been entered and will not be repeated herein

Reconsideration in light of the following revisions and remarks is respectfully requested.

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Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 3 of this paper.

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